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Subject: Consultation of the European Economic and Social Committee by the Council
Consultation of the European Committee of the Regions by the Council
Consultation of the European Court of Auditors by the Council

on a proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing the European Competitiveness Fund ('ECF'), including the specific programme for defence research and innovation activities, repealing Regulations (EU) 2021/522, (EU) 2021/694, (EU) 2021/697, (EU) 2021/783, repealing provisions of Regulations (EU) 2021/696, (EU) 2023/588, and amending Regulation (EU) [EDIP]

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In accordance with the procedure adopted by the Council (see Article 12(2)(c) of its Rules of Procedure), we hereby submit the above consultation of the European Economic and Social Committee, the European Committee of the Regions and the European Court of Auditors on the proposal in the subject for approval by the Council.

Please email any comments to consultations@consilium.europa.eu by **16:00** on **Monday 22 September 2025**.

If no comments are received by that deadline, the decision to consult the Institutions will be deemed to have been adopted.